

Happy May Day, Means Halfway to Summer!

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NORTHSTAR ELECTRICAL SERVICES

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WIN DINNER!

Respond to this email and we will enter you in our drawing for a \$50 gift card to your choice of restaurants*.

Congratulations to April's Winner:

Jamie Mandra
— NEST International

Respond by May 16th to be entered.

*restaurants listed at the bottom left corner of the newsletter.

NORTHSTAR PROMOTES SAFETY

May is National Electrical Safety Month! How perfect that an electrical contractor be the one to tell you about electrical safety!

The Electrical Safety Foundation International is a group dedicated to Home, Workplace and Public safety of all electrical hazards.

Since an estimated 80% of electrical accidents in the home are preventable, ESFi is hoping it can educate families of all ages on the dangers within the home. From electrical fire prevention, to shock prevention, and an understanding of how your home is electrically wired, the ESFi is working to safeguard you.

The work place is where you spend the majority of your waking time. Safety codes and regulations are in place by OSHA to prevent injuries. If you work in an industry that involves regular interaction with electricity, the ESFi has a

lot of tips and resources to make sure the National Electrical Code (NEC) is being followed along with the standards and best practices for safety. Understanding what types of tools are needed for the job at hand is often the best way to ensure safety from electrical shock and arch flashes.

Public safety from electrical issues is something that comes with large storms and big construction projects in highly populated areas. Your energy supplier works hard to make your neighborhoods safe for everyday use. If you see any problems, like downed wires, outages or blown transformers, you should call the local energy company to report the situation immediately.

Check the [ESFi website](#) for helpful information for yourself and to pass along to others.

OBSCURE JOBS—GREAT PAY!

While NORTHSTAR continues to grow and hire new people, we thought it would be neat to look at some odd professions that have rather satisfying salaries. If you get tired of your position, check some of these out!



Submarine Cook/Chef—Average salary \$50k yearly, with \$140k in bonuses and allowances! Although you will have to be part of Australia's Naval forces to land this job.

Voice-Over Speakers—Average salary \$70k yearly. Even the unknown folks doing voice-overs for commercials are making good money doing it. Imagine what happens when you become famous and everyone recognizes your golden voice!

Bingo Manager—Average salary \$56k yearly. That's right, the favorite pastime game of Bingo needs someone to read off the numbers and verify the winners. Typically the managers are working at casinos, but for putting up with a smoky hall and reading numbers, you get paid well.

As you can see, most listed don't require special schooling, but you can make some nice cash.

IMAX Screen Cleaner—Average salary \$45k yearly! The IMAX screens in theatres get very dirty and someone has to clean them. Carefully, might I add.

Food Taster (Food Scientist)—Average salary \$56k yearly. Discerning taste buds must be proven to become a true Food Scientist, but it would be a great job to test for product consistency and flavoring, especially ice cream!

Pearl Diver—Salary can be up to \$1200 per day during the seasonal months. It's apparently a dangerous and tedious job, but the work is worth it's weight in, well, pearls.

ICSC RECON CONVENTION!

Bill and Katrina are attending as members of the ICSC National Convention in Las Vegas, NV. May 18-20.

If you or anyone from your company will be there, let us know! We would love to meet with you in person!



Don't Forget MOTHER'S DAY!

Sunday, May 11th, 2014

Get that maternal caregiver something special to show how important she truly is.

Memorial Day May 26th, 2014



Honor the fallen that protected and those that continue to defend our freedom.

* Ruby Tuesday, PF Chang's, Bonefish Grill, Longhorn Steakhouse, Maggiano's, Chili's, Cheesecake Factory, McCormick & Schmick, Legal Seafood, Season's 52, California Pizza Kitchen, Ruth Chris's Steakhouse.

JOKE OF THE MONTH

A selfish lonely millionaire became gravely ill. On his deathbed he asked his minister, doctor and lawyer to come to his bedside.

"I have the same task for each of you. Upon my death, you each will receive a bag full cash. The bags will each contain \$1,000,000. Right before my casket is lowered into the ground, you must put those bags of money in the casket with my body. I want to prove to everyone that you CAN take it with you when you die!"

Upon the man's death, the bags of cash were given to the doctor, lawyer and minister. They did as instructed and put the cash into the casket upon it being lowered into the ground.

The three men rode together in a car after the funeral. The doctor broke down and said, "I took \$50,000 from the bag. I planned to put some of it towards his medical bills, and then a little for myself. I fell so terribly guilty"

The minister hangs his head in shame and says, "I too helped myself to some of the money. I took \$100,000 from the bag. I gave everything to charity though. So I don't feel quite as guilty."

The lawyer looks at both of them and laughs. "I didn't take a dime. Instead I wrote a check for \$1,000,000 and put it in the bag and kept the cash. It's a fair exchange. I have no guilt at all!"

